



February 22, 2026
First Sunday in Lent

First
Presbyterian
Church of Northville



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Welcome

to First Presbyterian Church of Northville

Thank you for worshiping with us!

We invite you to write your name and contact information on the Friendship Pad and pass it down the pew for others to sign.

If you would like a children's folder, large print bulletin, wireless hearing assistance device or back pillow, the ushers will be happy to assist you. We currently offer two types of hearing assistance devices: one with earphones, and one which works with "T" coil hearing aids.

If you are visiting with us, and don't have a Bible you can read and understand, please take one from your pew as our gift to you! Please also stop by the Welcome Center desk to receive a welcome bag.

Please join us for coffee or tea in Boll Hall after the service.

We Believe

We believe relationships are key to understanding God and enjoying life together.

We seek to create a community that mirrors God's unconditional acceptance and love.

We value and are centered in scripture.

We honor and worship a God who is constantly at work for the good of every person in every place.

We welcome all regardless of politics, gender, race, sexual orientation, or any other distinction.

We are called to love as God loves.

We're glad you're here!

Order of Worship

~ The prelude is to be a time of reflection and preparation for worship ~

Welcome

Prelude *Passion Chorale "O Dearest Jesus"* Helmut Walcha

Announcements

Introit *What Wondrous Love is This* **#215**
Chancel Choir

***Call to Worship** (read responsively)

One: O God, you are a hiding place for us;

All: you preserve us from trouble.

One: Let the faithful offer prayer and praise to God,

All: for in times of distress, God is with us.

One: The Lord will teach us the way we should go;

All: God's steadfast love always surrounds us.

One: So, let us be glad in the Lord and rejoice in worship!

All: We will sing for joy with psalms of praise.

***Opening Prayer**

***Hymn** *The Glory of These Forty Days* **#165**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess our sin and the sin of this world. We have found peace in Christ, but we are a people divided against ourselves. We confess that we cling to the values of a broken world rather than the principles of your kingdom. In your mercy, heal us, forgive us, and set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ.

(Silent Confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

* Please rise in body or spirit.

Children's Message

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings

First Scripture Reading— Genesis 2: 15-17, 3:1-7

^{2:15}The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. ¹⁶And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; ¹⁷but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

^{3:1}Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?'" ²The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; ³but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" ⁴But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; ⁵for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." ⁶So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. ⁷Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

Second Scripture Reading— Matthew 4:1–11

¹Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ²He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. ³The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." ⁴But he answered, "It is written,

'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

⁵Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you,'
and 'On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

⁷Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

⁸Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; ⁹and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." ¹⁰Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" ¹¹Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Meditation

Rev. Jacqueline Spycher

Call for the Offering

Offertory

Create in Me a Clean Heart
Chancel Choir

Carl Mueller

***Doxology**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in
heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us
our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not
into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the
kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

***Sending Hymn**

Be Still, My Soul

#819

***Benediction**

***Sung Response**

Steal Away

#358

Postlude

Kyrie, Gott Heiliger Geist, BWV 671

J.S. Bach

Worship Leaders and Staff:

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Rev. Jacqueline Spycher, Senior Pastor

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IN OUR
Thoughts and Prayers

Congregation: Marilyn Atkinson; Phil & Ginny Cavaretta; Lucia Danes; Tim Doty & the family of Louise Fisher; Charlene Frellick; Sarah French & family; Bob Geake; Neyssa Gill; Ron & Lois Housman; Glenn & Nancy Kaatz; Donna Kennedy; Mary Kirn; Maxine Lapham; Dianne McCulloch; Karen Seaman; Darleen Sweeney; June Tervo; the Ward Family; Dick Werther; Debbie Wood.

Friends and Family: James Atkinson Jr. (son of Marilyn Atkinson); Jerry & Emily Beaca (friends of Kathy Gricius); Carolyn Blaszcowski (friend of Deb and Tim Gammons); Jeff Brown (friend of Dick Werther); Peg Custer (mother of Jerry Custer); Brant Doty (brother of Tim Doty); Annette Duchamp (mother of Vivienne Ward); Elisabeth Fannin (granddaughter of Marilyn Atkinson); Jackie Fisher (mother-in-law of Tim Doty); Stan Gill & family (brother of Bev Hines); Dick Grignon (relative of Deb & Tim Gammons); Connie Hassaballa (sister of Sandy Robison & Judy Russell); The Henderson Family (relatives of Tammy Fulton); Scott Hines (step grandson of Bev Hines); Lynne & Mark Ivankovics (sister-in-law & brother-in-law of Tim Doty); The Family of Barbara Komp; Jaxson Lindquist (grandnephew of Ann Werther); Makayla (granddaughter of Neyssa Gill); Kim Myers (sister-in-law of Denise Myers); Dave Nickel (son-in-law of Kathy Gricius); Nina & Nikolai (residing in Ukraine, relatives of Marcia Booth); Penny & Wes Norton (mother and stepfather of Guy Sartorius); Barbara Onofrio (friend of Georgeann Stringer); Joey Roberts (friend of John Takacs & Todd Kananen); Marshall Riggs (nephew of Sean & Stephanie Smith); Carol Sarver (friend of Bev Hines); Tony and Kathy Schillaci (friends of Kathy Gricius); Alicia Sims (mother of Lexanna Sims); Mary Spranger (step daughter of Bev Hines); Billy & Trish Stamper (family of Neyssa Gill); Lita Thomas (friend of Marilyn Thibodeau); Jim Wilkie (son of Coline Coleman); Terry Wingblad (friend of Darleen Sweeney); Randy Wisner (cousin of Darleen Sweeney); Cathy Yount (daughter of Marilyn Atkinson).

All Caregivers

All Military Personnel currently serving here and abroad.

*To add a name to this list, please call your Deacon, or the Church office at 248-349-0911. Please note that names are added to the Prayer Ministry list only with the individual's permission. This list will be purged and reprinted periodically. **Kindly let us know when to remove a name. Thank you.***

Cards are available for the congregation to sign on the **third Sunday**

The Bulletin Board

The Pancake Breakfast—This morning after worship all are invited to join us in the CLC for a delicious pancake breakfast. There will be a free-will offering and all donations will go to support the youth and their mission work.

Fill the Pantry Sunday—Today the Fellowship Committee is collecting cookies and snacks to be used for future coffee hours. You will find a basket in Boll Hall to put your donations in. Thank you!

Coldest Night of the Year—Crossroads of Michigan is hosting a Coldest Night of the Year event on Saturday, February 28. This is a family-friendly walk that raises money for those experiencing homelessness, poverty, and food insecurity in Detroit. The event will take place at Chandler Park in Detroit (12200 Chandler Park Drive, Detroit, MI 48213). You can register to walk, join a team, volunteer, or donate by visiting www.cnoy.com/location/detroit or by scanning this QR code.



Clothing Drive—The Mission Committee is holding a winter clothing drive throughout the month of February. Bring clean, new, and gently used WARM clothing of all sizes for adults (men's especially needed) and children. New underwear (including thermal) and socks are greatly appreciated. A collection location is designated in Boll Hall. Donations benefit Crossroads of Detroit and Little Lambs of Flint.

Hospitality Week—Our friends at First United Methodist Church (FUMC) of Northville will once again be hosting Cass Community Social Services Rotating Shelter for those experiencing homelessness. On Sunday, March 1, with help from our APEX Youth Group, we will be preparing and serving a delicious meal to the guests. If you're interested in helping with the meal, please contact Carol Maise. We will also be collecting sheets, blankets, and bathrobes for the guests. Please scan this QR code (Amazon link) to purchase needed items that will be delivered directly to FUMC. Please make all purchases by February 23. Thank you for your continued support of our partnership with FUMC.



Blood Drive: Friday, March 6—We will be hosting a blood drive in the CLC on Friday, March 6 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Please consider making a donation to help save lives. To schedule an appointment, please visit www.redcrossblood.org (sponsor code: fpcnorthville), scan the QR code, or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).



Oakway Children’s Choir Concert—All are warmly invited to the Oakway Children’s Choir Concert on Sunday, March 15. Please join us for an evening filled with wonderful music. The concert begins at 4 p.m. in our sanctuary, and our talented young singers hope to see everyone there!

Carrie Newcomer Concert Tickets —FPC Northville will be hosting a concert with singer/songwriter Carrie Newcomer on Saturday, April 18 at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$10 each. Ticket sales and donations benefit the Pipe Dreams Organ Fund. To purchase tickets, visit fpcnorthville.org and click the ticket button in the header or scan the QR code. Please contact the church office if you are unable to purchase tickets electronically.



Carrie Newcomer Workshop —Come for a 3-hour workshop with Carrie Newcomer, songwriter, educator, writer, and podcaster on Saturday, April 18 from 1:00-4:00 p.m. in Boll Hall. It’s a two-part workshop: Telling Our Story with Song and What We Need Is Here—Conversations About Hope, Resilience & Community. Cost is \$10; all money collected will benefit the Pipe Dreams Organ Fund. Limited to 40 people; register early, as we’ll open up remaining spots to the public on April 1. Use this link to register: <https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/carrie-newcomer-workshop>. Contact Pastor Jackie with questions.

Guest Preacher--On Sunday, March 1, we will welcome to the pulpit the Rev. Dr. Jim Monnett. Jim is a PC(USA) pastor who joins us from Ann Arbor. He has served churches in Indiana and Michigan, including 11 years as youth pastor at First, Ann Arbor. In January, he completed an interim pastorate at New Hope Church in Novi, a Korean-American congregation. His first book, *The Alchemy of Hope*, is available on Amazon. He is married to Karin, and their first grandchild was born in July. Jim enjoys mountain biking and traveling. He has an MDiv from McCormick Seminary and a Doctor of Pastoral Ministry from Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary.

Lent and Easter Events 2026



Weekly Worship:

Sundays at 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary & Facebook Live

Holy Week

Palm Sunday, March 29 at 10:00 a.m.

Maundy Thursday with dinner and

communion: April 2 at 7:00 p.m., Boll Hall

Community Good Friday Worship: April 3 at 7:00 p.m.

FPCN will join with First United Methodist Church
at FUMC, 777 8 Mile Rd., Northville

Family Fun

Pancake Breakfast, Sunday, February 22,

11:15 a.m., Christian Life Center

Egg-stravaganza, Saturday, March 21,

10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon, Welcome Center

Easter Sunday, April 5

Communion served at both services

Sunrise Worship: 6:45 a.m.

Church courtyard on the corner of
Church & Cady Sts.

Traditional Worship with strings: 10:00 a.m.

Daily Devotionals:

Provided in the weekly Friday e-mail

Watch our website and Facebook page for additional events

VBS 2026

June 15th - 19th
9:00am - 12:00pm



Scan QR code to register
or link available at
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WEEK OF FEBRUARY 22, 2026 — MARCH 1, 2026

Sun. 2/22		First Sunday in Lent
	8:45 am	Kerygma, Gathering Room
	10:00 am	Worship, Sanctuary & Facebook Live
	10:15 am	Children's Sunday School, Children's Wing
	11:00 am	Pancake Breakfast, CLC
Mon. 2/23	7:00 pm	Scout Troop 755, CLC
Tue. 2/24	12:00 pm	Rotary, Boll Hall
	5:30 pm	Pickleball, CLC
	6:00 pm	Children's Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
	7:00 pm	Caregivers Group, Youth Room
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting, CLC
	8:00 pm	AI-Anon Meeting, Boll Hall
Wed. 2/25	8:00 am	Men's Morning Small Group, via Zoom
	10:00 am	Walking Group, Ford Field (Northville)
	10:30 am	Children's Worship, Sanctuary
	7:00 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
Thurs. 2/26	10:30 am	Children's Worship, Preschool
	11:00 am	Prayer Group, Study
	6:15 pm	Yoga, Children's Wing
	7:00 pm	Handbells Rehearsal, Music Center
Fri. 2/27	9:30 am	Agape, Gathering Room
	1:30 pm	Fourth Friday at Fox Run, Fox Run
Sat. 2/28		
Sun. 3/1		Communion Sunday
		Second Sunday in Lent
	8:45 am	Kerygma, Gathering Room
	10:00 am	Worship, Sanctuary & Facebook Live
	10:15 am	Children's Sunday School, Children's Wing
	4:00 pm	Youth Hospitality, First United Methodist Church